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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, CM

SUBJ: FMS: CAMEROON

REF: (A) HQ USAF 211205 JUN 78, (B) YAOUNDE 281400 JUN 78,  
(C) YAOUNDE 271125 JUN 78, (D) USAIMA FT BRAGG 152000 JUN 78,  
(E) YAOUNDE 281400Z JUN 78

1. ON JULY 1 EMBOFFS MET WITH GENERAL PIERRE SEMENGUE TO  
DISCUSS FMS AGREEMENT AND RELATED MATTERS. EMBOFFS STRESSED  
IMPORTANCE OF SIGNING FMS AGREEMENT ASAP; SEMENGUE TOOK NOTE BUT  
OFFERED NO COMMENT AS TO WHEN AGREEMENT WOULD BE SIGNED  
(REF C). FINANCE MINISTER IS CURRENTLY SUTDYING AGREEMENT, BUT  
UP TO NOW HAS BEEN FULLY OCCUPIED WITH ANNUAL BUDGET PREPARATION.  
SEMENGUE OPINED THAT HE EXPECTED LITTLE DIFFICULTY IN OBTAINING  
AGREEMENT OF FINANCE AND OTHER MINISTRIES BECAUSE  
PRESIDENT AHIDJO HAD ALREADY GIVEN HIS APPROVAL.

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2. IN ACCORDANCE LOCAL PRACTICE LOA'S WERE SUBMITTED UNDER  
COVER DIPLOMATIC NOTE THROUGH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, ON  
JULY 1, SIMULTANEOUSLY EMBOFFS GAVE SEMENGUE DIRECTLY COPIES  
LOA'S FOR CASES UAB, UAC, AND BAA. WITH REGARD TO LOA FOR CASE  
BAA SEMENGUE NOTED IT ONLY COVERED JEEP PARTS. HE STATED THAT  
IT SHOULD BE CORRECTED TO ALSO COVER EQUIPMENT PARTS FOR

REPLENISHMENT SUPPORT OF M34, M35, A2, M51 AND M816 TRUCKS. EMBASSY HAS ALSO NOTED THAT THIS LOA (BAA) ON PAGE 1 CALLS FOR INITIAL DEPOSIT OF \$600,000, BUT ON PAGE 8 IN QUOTE ESTIMATED PAYMENT SCHEDULE UNQUOTE CALLS FOR 4 EQUAL PAYMENTS OF \$150,000. FURTHER, ON PAGE 9, SPACE FOR AMOUNT OF INITIAL DEPOSIT IS SIMPLY LEFT BLANK. SEMENGUE RAISED NO QUESTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH LOA'S FOR CASES UAB AND UAC AND SAID HE WOULD RECOMMEND TO THE MINISTER THAT THEY BE ACCEPTED AS PRESENTED.

3. VEHICLE SUPPLY TRAINING REQUIREMENT-CASE UAE. (REF D) WITH REGARD TO THIS CASE, SEMENGUE SPECIFIED THAT HE WOULD ALSO LIKE PRELIMINARY MTT TO INSPECT VEHICLES AND ASSESS THEIR CURRENT CONDITION AND REPAIR REQUIREMENTS IN ADDITION TO ALREADY PLANNED SURVEY OF SPARE PARTS STOCK AND TOOL REQUIREMENTS. TO THIS END, GENERAL SEMENGUE STATED HE HAD ALREADY BEGUN COLLECTING VEHICLES IN DOUALA AND YAOUNDE. HE REQUESTED LOA BE PREPARED ASAP SO TEAM CAN COME AS SCHEDULED IN AUGUST.

4. GENERALLY, WITH REGARD TO PROPOSED C-130 MTT, (REF A) SEMENGUE STATED THAT CAMEROONIANS HAD ALREADY STAGED OPERATIONS INVOLVING DROPS OF BOTH MEN AND SMALL EQUIPMENT. HOWEVER, GURC IS MAINLY INTERESTED IN LEARNING ABOUT LARGE EQUIPMENT DROPS AND HE WOULD LIKE MTT TO CONCENTRATE ON GURC REQUIREMENTS THIS AREA. HE INDICATED THAT WHILE THIS MTT WAS OF CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANCE TO CAMEROON, IT WAS OF LESS PRIORITY  
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THAN OTHER ITEMS. EMBOFFS WERE LEFT WITH IMPRESSION THAT UNLESS FY 78 IMET FALLOUT OR OTHER FUNDS COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE (SEE REFTTEL E), THEN THIS MTT WOULD BE POSTPONED.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: (A) PLEASE REVISE LOA FOR CASE BAA ON VEHICLE SPARE PARTS TO CONFORM TO GENERAL SEMENGUE'S OBSERVATIONS TRANSMITTED PARA 2 ABOVE AND PROBIDE CLARIFICATION ON PAYMENT REQUIREMENTS. (B) APPRECIATE SUBMISSION LOA COVERING CASE UAE FOR PRELIMINARY MTT FOR VEHICLE REPAIR SURVEY ASAP, BUT IN ANY EVENT TO MEET AUGUST AVAILABILITY DATE INDICATED REF D.  
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